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SUBJ: UN AD HOC COMMITTEE ON TERRORISM

1. SUMMARY: GENERAL DEBATE BEGAN JULY 23 WITH  
SPEECHES BY GREECE, ITALY, NIGERIA AND URUGUAY.  
AT WEO GROUP MTG. WANG (CANADA) REPORTED ON DISCUSSIONS  
IN BUREAU, WHICH TOMORROW WILL TURN TO ORGANIZATION OF  
WORK. END SUMMARY.

2. GREEK REP, AFTER EXPRESSING STRONG  
OPPOSITION OF GREECE TO INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM,  
REGRETTEED THAT INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY HAD TO DATE  
FAILED TO CONCERN INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM AND HAD  
NOT BEEN ABLE TO AGREE ON EFFECTIVE AND APPROPRIATE  
MEASURES. HE SAID UN SHOULD AGREE ON A NUMBER OF  
CONCRETE ACTS WHICH WOULD BE CONSIDERED  
COMMON CRIMES AND WOULD BE COVERED BY MEASURES  
OF INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION. HE SPOKE AGAINST  
DEFINING THE TERM "TERRORISM" AS THIS RISKS TO CREATE  
NEEDLESS CONTROVERSIES. REGARDING CAUSES, HE SAID  
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THEY SHOULD BE STUDIED THE SAME WAY AS OTHER

SOCIOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL PROBLEMS, BUT SHOULD NOT HOLD UP WORK ON MEASURES. FINALLY, HE THOUGHT THE ISSUE OF SELF-DETERMINATION WAS IRREVALENT IN THE PRESENT CONTEXT.

3. ITALIAN REP SAID THAT BASIS HAD BEEN ESTABLISHED IN GOVT. COMMENTS FOR LAYING DOWN BASIC GUIDELINES FOR COMBATING TERRORISM AS WELL AS FOR MORE CONCRETE RULES. ALL GOVTS.'S, HE SAID, ABHOR TERRORISM. ITALIAN GOVERNMENT READY TO PARTICIPATE IN STUDY OF CAUSES, ON ONE HAND, AND ON OTHER HAND THOUGHT WORK ON A MULTI-LATERAL CONVENTION SHOULD GO FORWARD WITHOUT BEING LINKED TO THE WORK ON CAUSES. HE SAID SUCH MEASURES WOULD NOT BE AIMED AGAINST NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENTS. AS EXAMPLES OF OTHER MEASURES, HE CITED DOMESTIC MEASURES AND THE CONVENTION ON THE PROTECTION OF DIPLOMATS. THE METHOD EMPLOYED IN THE LATTER IS ILLUSTRATIVE IN THAT IT IDENTIFIES SPECIFIC ACTS WHICH CAUSE ALARM TO THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY AND ON WHICH IT IS AGREED TO TAKE CERTAIN MEASURES.

4. NIGERIAN REP SAID HIS COUNTRY CONDEMNED TERRORISM. HE REGRETTED, HOWEVER THAT THE CONCERN ABOUT TERRORISM HAD RESULTED IN SEARCHES OF DIPLOMATS AT AIRPORTS AND THUS INVIOLATIONS OF THE VIENNA CONVENTION ON DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS. HE SAID THERE WERE TWO ASPECTS TO CONSIDER--CAUSES AND MEASURES. REGARDING CAUSES, HE SAID TERRORISM RESULTED FROM DENIAL OF CERTAIN FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS TO LIBERATION MOVEMENTS IN AFRICA AND DISPLACED PERSONS IN THE MIDDLE EAST. WHILE REGRETTING INJURY TO INNOCENT VICTIMS, THESE GROUPS, HE SAID, HAD THE RIGHT TO USE FORCE. IT IS THEREFORE NECESSARY TO UNDERSTAND THE PROBLEM AND SOLVE THE ROOT CAUSES. HE SAID THE US DRAFT CONVENTION WOULD NOT DO THIS BECAUSE IT WOULD TAKE LONG TO COME INTO FORCE AND ITS NEGOTIATION WOULD BE POLITICALLY COMPLICATED. RATHER, HE CITED SC RES S/10705 AS EXAMPLE OF APPROPRIATE MEASURE. HE SUGGESTED, REGARDING LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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MEASURES, THAT STATES SHOULD TAKE NOTE OF THIS RES AND IN ADDITION FOCUS EFFORTS ON DEVELOPING SCHEME OF EXTRADITION TREATIES TO DEAL WITH THESE MATTERS. RE POSSIBLE UNGA RES, HE SUGGESTED THAT IT MIGHT ASK "MEMBERS STATES TO NOTE THE DECISION OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL REFERRED TO ABOVE AND SUBMIT THE MEASURES THEY HAVE TAKEN:  
A. TO FIGHT CRIMES AT INTERNATIONAL LEVEL,

BY CONCLUDING EXTRADITION TREATIES;  
B. TO CONORPORATE IN THEIR RESPECTIVE  
MUNICIPAL LAWS PROVISIONS WHICH MAKE  
KIDNAPPING OF DIPLOMATS AS WELL AS OTHER  
IMPORTANT PERSONS AND HIJACKINGS CRIMINAL  
OFFENSES; AND  
C. INVITE STATES WHO HAVE NOT DONE SO, TO  
RATIFY THE TOKYO CONVENTION OF CERTAIN  
OFFENSES ON BORAD AIRCRAFT, AND OTHER  
RELEVANT CONVENTIONS ON THE SUPPRESSION  
OF UNLAWFUL SEIZURE OF AIRCRAFTS."

5. URUGUAY REP SAID HIS GOVERNMENT CATAGORICALLY  
REPUDIATED TERRORISM, WHICH IS GLOBAL PROBLEM AND AFFECTS  
INNOCENT VICTIMS. HE STRESSED NEED FOR EFFECTIVE MEASURES  
TO PREVENT AND REPRESS TERRORISM. HE SAID ENDS DO NOT  
JUSTIFY MEANS AND MOTIVE THEREFORE DID NOT EXCUSE ACTS  
OF TERRORISM. HE CITED TWO EXTRADITION TREATIES GOU CONCLUDED  
LAST YEAR, INCLUDING ONE WITH USG, EXCLUDING  
CRIMES AGAINS DIPLOMATS AND HIJACKING FROM  
CATEGORY POSSIBLE POLITICAL OFFENSES. HE SAID  
COMMITTEE SHOULD RECOMMEND THAT GA ADOPT AT 28TH SESSION  
CONVENTION ON PROTECTION OF DIPLOMATS AND WORK ON DRAFT  
ARTICLES CONCERNING OTHER ACTS OF TERRORISM.

6. AT WEO MEETIG WANG (CANADA) REPORTED THAT AT  
BUREAU MEETING JULY 23 MUCH DISCUSSION RELATED TO  
ABSENCE OF SUMMARY RECORDS AND FINDING OTHER PROCEDURES  
TO PROVIDE DELS WITH SOME RECORD OF MEETINGS, E.G.,  
DISTRIBUTION OF TEXT OF STATEMENTS. BUREAU DECIDED  
TO TAKE UP ISSUE OF ORGANIZATION OF WORK JULY 24,  
AND REBUFFED ATTEMPT BY WANG TO COMMENCE DISCUSSION.  
BOYD INDICATED HE THINKS GENERAL DEBATE WILL LAST  
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ENTIRE WEEK, THAT COMMITTEE WILL THEN HAVE WEEK FOR  
SUBSTANTIVE WORK, AND FINAL WEEK WILL BE DEVOTED  
TO PREPARATION OF REPORT.

7. WEO GROUP DISCUSSED ORGANIZATION OF WORK,  
WITH ALL MEMBERS (EXCEPT FRANCE) FAVORING  
FOCUS ON MEASURES. THEY THOUGHT ESTABLISHMENT OF  
SUB-COMMITTEE ON MEASURES MOST APPROPRIATE METHOD  
TO ACHIEVE THIS, AND WOULD NOT OBJECT TO  
PARALLEL SUB-COMMITTEE ON CAUSES. FRENCH REP  
STATED POSITION OF FAVORING WORK ON DEFINITION OF  
TERRORISM IN PLENARY PRIOR TO ANY OTHER WORK.

COMMENT: IT APPEARS WANG DETERMINED TO TAKE FLEXIBLE  
APPROACH IN BUREAU CONSIDERATION OF VARIOUS OPTIONS

FOR ORGANIZATION OF WORK , I.E.,  
RAHTER THAN PRESS STRONGLY FOR TWO COMMITTEES APPROACH.  
NONETHELESS,HE WILL SURELY REPRESENT LATTER APPROACH AS  
ONE RECEIVING OVERWHELMING WEO REPORT. US DEL CONTINUING  
TO LOBBY IN LOW-KEYED MANNER IN CORRIDORS FOR TWO COMMITTEE  
APPROACH. END COMMENT.  
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